

I urge that the FCC not allow Broadband over Powerlines (BPL) to move forward. Several perspectives on this issue:

Because of the density of the power grid, rf interference is not only just likely from BPL, but IT WILL interfere with many radio services.

Radio users of the HF and Low VHF spectrum WILL BE affected. There are some critical operations, particularly many public safety agencies, the military, emergency management and homeland security interests that use HF and Low VHF. Can we live with BPL interference preventing or delaying life threatening public safety calls?

The amateur radio community stands to lose a lot with BPL, particularly in the HF spectrum. Please remember that amateur radio is an important service that provides support and advancement for many applications of radio operations. These include emergency and disaster response, public safety and homeland security.

There are other superior options for broadband services besides BPL. These include existing telephone and cable TV services as well as satellite and land based wireless services. We need to focus our efforts on these already proven and superior modes instead of BPL, which is questionable at best. Questionable both in the sense of viability and in the sense of the harmful interference that it will cause to many other critical wireless services.

Respectfully Submitted,

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